## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 916

By Finney R.

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Tiffany Brooke Edwards, 2008 Valedictorian of Gatlinburg-Pittman High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Brooke Edwards is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Gatlinburg-Pittman High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Ms. Edwards has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Tiffany has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Beta Club, Spanish Honor Society, Interact Club, and Key Club, as well as serving as the co-captain of the basketball team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Edwards's estimable leadership skills have enabled her to serve as Editor of Gatlinburg Library Board, Government Day Vice Mayor, Secretary of Mu Alpha Theta, and as a member of the Student Council; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her singular achievements, this exceptional young woman has been honored as a National Merit Commended Scholar, attained Outstanding Academic Achievement in twelve subjects, received the B.E.S.T. Club Award for excellence in all subjects, and maintained a record of perfect attendance during both her sophomore and junior years; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Tiffany Edwards has endeavored to serve her fellow citizens through volunteer work with the Gatlinburg Food Ministry and serving as a Red Cross volunteer; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Edward's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success at Vanderbilt University; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Susie and Todd Martin, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Edwards's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Tiffany Brooke Edwards, 2008 Gatlinburg-Pittman High School Valedictorian, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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